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SENATE BILL 604

By Massey

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 41 and Title 68, relative to medical services for inmates.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-11-262(b)(3), is amended by deleting the subdivision and substituting instead the following:

(3) "Uninsured patient":

- (A) Means a person with no public or private source of payment for medical services, including, but not limited to, medicare, TennCare, a contract of insurance, an employer-sponsored health plan, or other enforceable obligation under which a person is responsible for payment for healthcare services provided to the patient; and
- (B) Includes an inmate of a correctional institution who does not have health care coverage under medicare, TennCare, a contract of insurance, or an employer-sponsored health plan during the period of the inmate's incarceration.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring

it.